INDOT 2030 Plan Update Consultation Meeting INDOT Seymour District Meeting at District Office Wednesday, June 2, 2004 4:00 PM

In Attendance: Steve Smith, INDOT Long Range Planning

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Project Discussion:

1. <u>Spencer Bypass</u>: The district renewed its call for a corridor study to solve congestion problems in Spencer. The district had a meeting in April, 2004 with the county commissioners to discuss this subject. It was noted that recent model runs showed a drop in traffic after the construction of I-69. It was suggested that the district look at intersection and safety improvements that could be implemented to ease congestion until I-69 can be built. Additionally, officials at McCormick's Creek State Park are interested in realigning SR-43 to improve access to the park.

Comment: Spencer & Owen County needs to be modeled using the new statewide travel demand model to assess the impacts of I-69. Potential improvements also need to be modeled to guide future studies.

2. <u>I-64 in Harrison County:</u> Harrison County has proposed a number of local projects to support their comprehensive plan.

Comment: The District needs a copy of the Harrison County Transportation Plan.

3. New I-65 Interchanges in Johnson Co.: The previous interchange study looked at a new interchange at CR750N. The report didn't find any fatal flaws with the project but recommended that the local road network be improved to support the forecasted traffic that would be generated by the new interchange. The city of Franklin has also expressed interest in developing a new interchange at CR300N.

Comment: These interchanges need to be modeled along with other proposed improvements in the county to assess their impacts.

4. <u>SR-39 in Martinsville, Median Const.(LRP#7/Des#9700390, RFC:2004, \$16.5 million)</u>: The engineer's report has recommended that the scope of this project be changed to added travel lanes. This wouldn't require much in additional right-of-way(ROW) since the state already owned enough for 5 lanes. There was a concern expressed that the scoping change might cause problems with local property owners who might be unaware that the state owned more ROW than the

current 2-lane roadway indicated. The district felt that residents had already been informed of the scope change and ROW issues, and that there shouldn't be a problem.

Comment: The project schedule needs to be reviewed to ensure that the needed public notices have been sent. The plan project listing needs to be amended and the map corrected.

5. <u>SR-11 from SR-135 to SR-337</u>, new road construction: The district has proposed a new road from SR-135 straight east to SR-337 at SR-11 in Harrison Co. in exchange for relinquishments on SR-11 and SR-111. The district has discussed this project with Harrison County.

Comment: This project needs to be modeled to assess impacts to the state transportation network.

6. <u>Louisville Western Toll Bridge:</u> The city of Louisville has expressed an interest in a toll bridge connecting I-265 with SR-111. The planning section had been asked to speak at a city council transportation committee meeting. Based on guidance from the executive office, the planning section has declined the invitation. The committee was instead advised to work with their Metropolitan Planning Organization(Kentucky-Indiana Planning and Development Agency).

Comment: The planning section will defer action on this proposal pending action by the MPO.

7. SR-144 from SR-37 to SR-135: The district has proposed upgrading the existing county road to state standards, and assuming ownership in exchange for a relinquishment of SR-44 in Morgan and Johnson Counties. While the district has discussed this with Johnson Co., there are concerns about whether Morgan Co. will go along with it. The proposed corridor is in an area that is covered by the Central Indiana Suburban Transportation and Mobility Study. HNTB has been hired to look at new improvements on SR-44.

Comment: This project needs to be modeled along with other proposed improvements in the county to assess their impacts on the state transportation network.

8. SR-64 in Georgetown, Added Travel Lanes (LRP#732, RFC:2016, \$9 million):
The district has asked that the western limit of this project be extended through Georgetown. The project's limit was determined by available right of way.
Expansion of SR-64 past Marci Lane would require numerous displacements.
There was a concern that changing the project limits could stall development.
The district would like a corridor study to examine this problem. It was suggested that the existing project be left as is, and a new project created to deal with the congestion within Georgetown. It was suggested that the district work with the

town manager and Floyd Co. to develop improvements to SR-64 and other local roads. Another alternative would be to improve a local road to state standards in order to divert traffic from SR-64.

Comment: This needs to be modeled along with proposed solutions in order to identify possible solutions worth pursuing.

9. <u>SR-62 in Charleston, Added Travel Lanes:</u> The district has identified this area as requiring added capacity to deal with residential development in the area.

Comment: This project would require further study to establish the need for additional capacity.